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Main Street

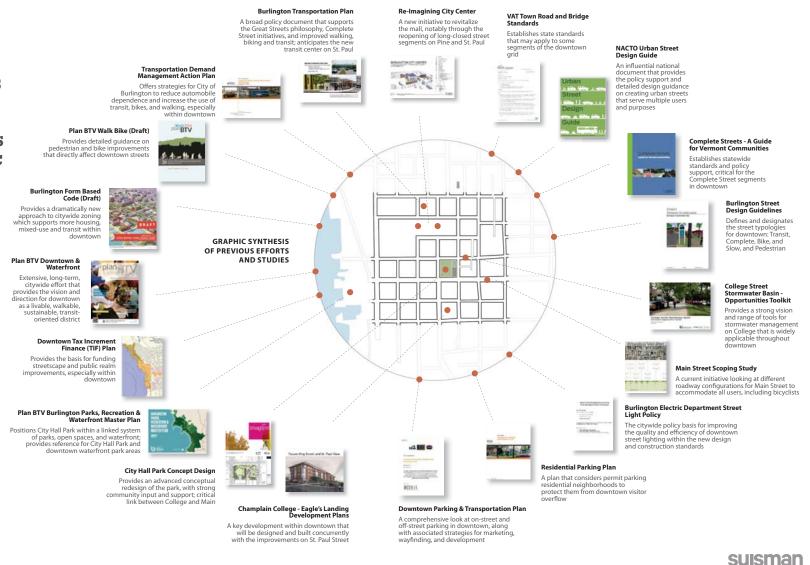
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City of Burlington Community & Economic Development Office Public Works Planning & Zoning



Integrating Prior Recommendations

The Great Streets Initiative helps implement the vision of previous Burlington public planning efforts and guidelines



What is a "Great Street"

These are the high-level guiding principles for street design that are called for in the City's recently adopted plans andd documents.

Walkable/Bikeable

high quality pedestrian and bike network, safe, convenient, shady, protective

Sustainable

benefits air and water quality, stormwater smart, energy efficient, transit-friendly

Vibrant

lively, attractive, diverse, accessible, inclusive, supports economic activity

Functional

works for all users, vehicles types, emergencies, events; affordable and maintainable

Main Street (6 blocks) St. Paul Street (2 blocks) City Hall Park

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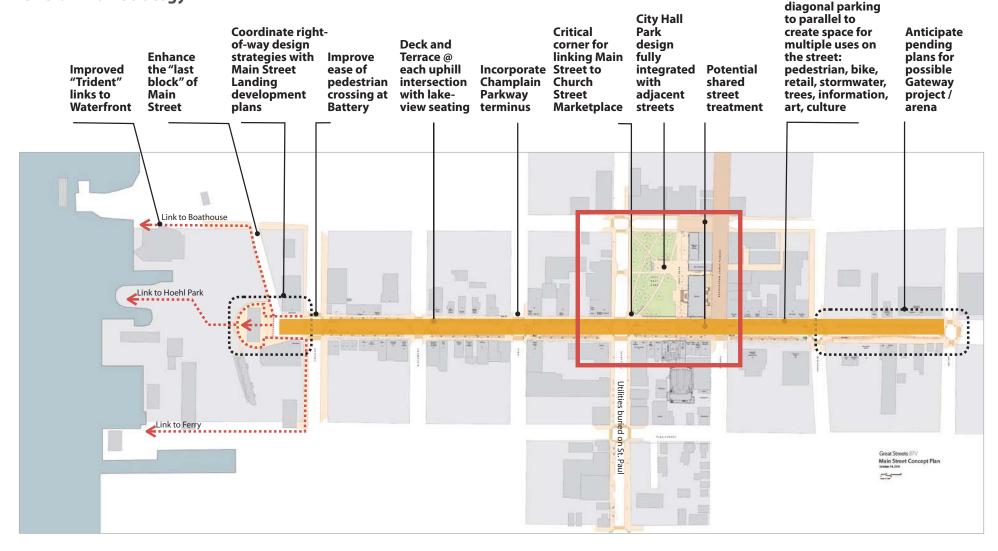
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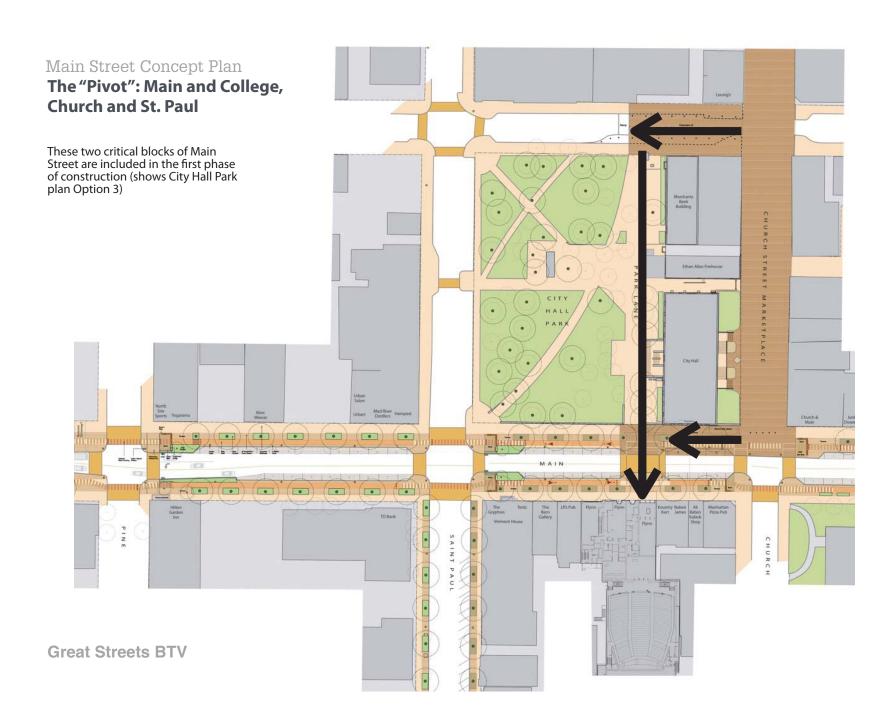
Main Street Concept Plan **Pinwheel** The Main Street project, which includes City Hall Park and parts of St. Paul, provides an opportunity to build out key elements of the pinwheel and strengthen the re-centering of downtown. **Great Streets BTV**

Overall Plan Strategy



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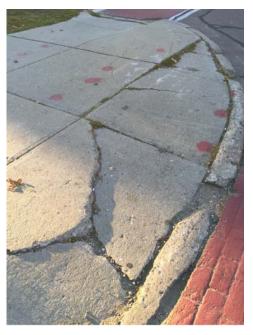


Improving the Pedestrian Experience

On many parts of Main Street, sidewalk and crosswalk widths are too narrow and the material condition is fair to poor. Basic pedestrian amenities such as seating are almost entirely absent.



Sidewalks are too narrow and tree belt is subject to erosion and runoff



Corners need repair and enhancement



Crosswalks need shortening and enhancement





What Burlingtonians have said they'd like to see on the street

Retail Frontage

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Tree Belt / Furnishings

Clear

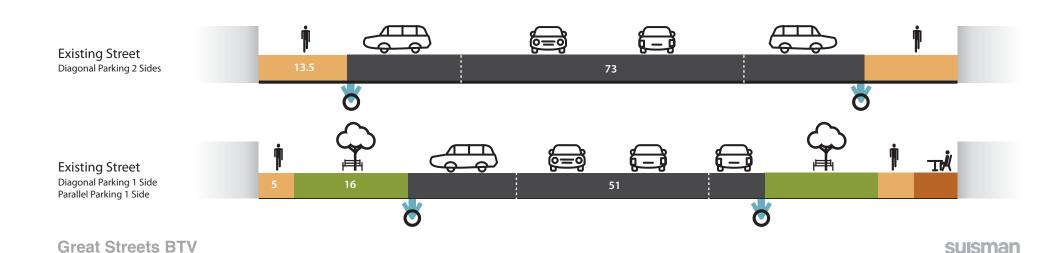
Walkway

Bike Path & Buffer Parking / Roadway

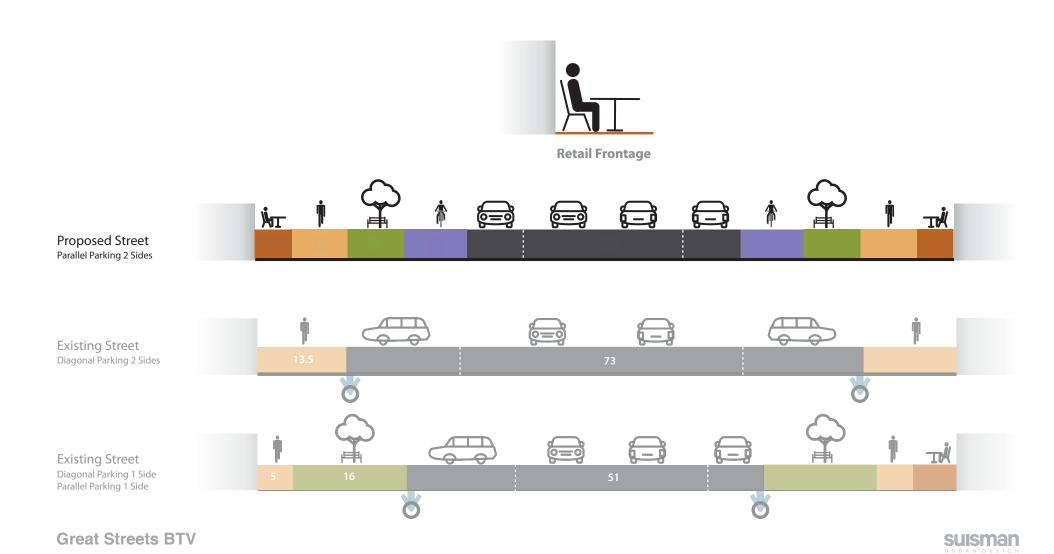
Stormwater / Rain Gardens

Improving the Public Right-of-Way





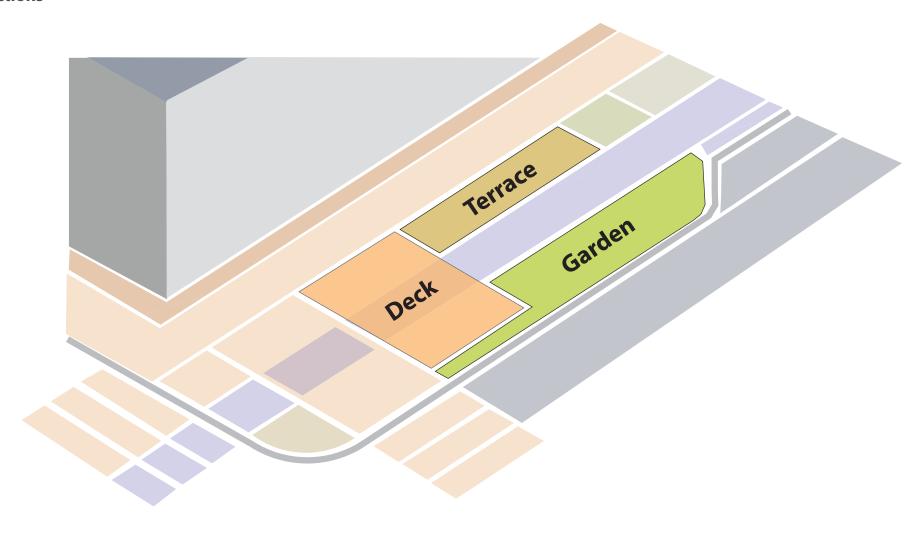
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Main Street Concept Plan
Overview of proposed Main Street concept



Intersections







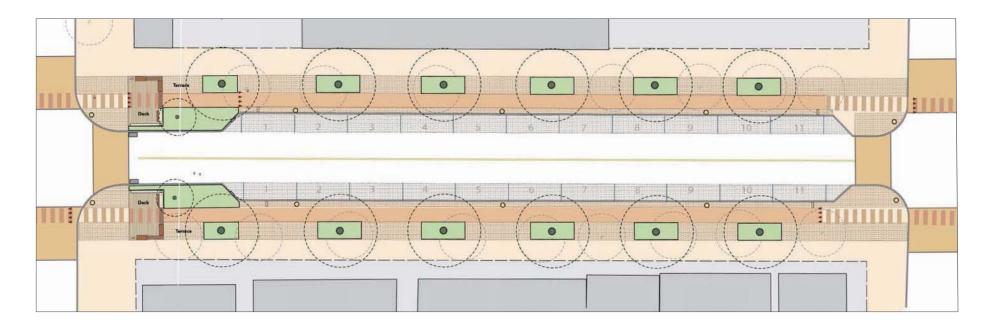
Typical Block Plan Elements

- 2 Sidewalks with Frontage Zones
- 2 Bike Paths
- 2 Tree Belts with pervious pavers
- 4 Bumpouts
- 12 Trees
- 12 Individual Rain Gardens
- 2 Downstream Collector Rain Gardens
- 2 Decks
- 2 Terraces
- 6 Crosswalks
- 10 Street Lights
- 22 Parking Spaces with pervious pavers

Additional public furnishing as needed:

Art Installations

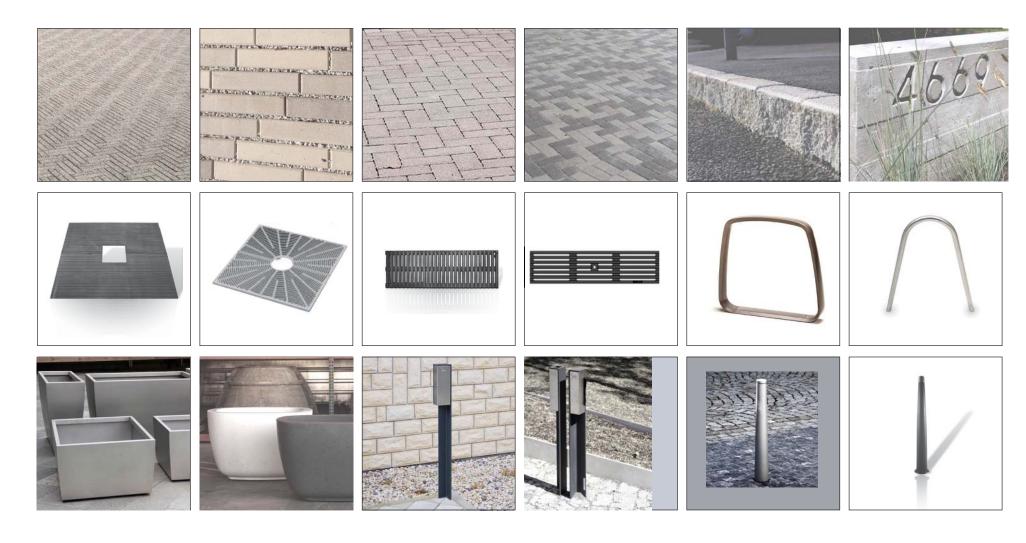
8'TREE BELT 3' BUFFER ZONE (AT CURB) CORNERS / BUMPOUTS Bike Parking Racks Traffic Signs Traffic Signs Bike Parking Shelter **Parking Meters** Trash Receptacles Trash Receptacles Parking Ticket Kiosks **Recycling Receptacles** Recycling Receptacles Mail Boxes Hydrants Benches / Seating Hydrants Art Installations Information Kiosk







Palette of Elements and Materials



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Great Streets -St. Paul Street Project



Outreach: Six-Month Look-Ahead

- October 2021 Provide project update to the TEUC and the City Council; request authorization to award design contract to Consultant
- December 2021 Provide project update to TEUC and City Council after advancing concept plans
- January 2022 Begin broader outreach efforts in advance of March vote
- March 2022 Pursue obtaining voter authorization for use of additional funds



Conversion to All-Parallel Parking

Diagonal parking takes 150% more pavement per space than parallel parking because of wasted corner areas and the added room needed to maneuver into spaces. While the diagonal parking on Main Street increases the number of spaces, it limits the available space for pedestrian amenities and treebelt. It also results in an exceptionally wide roadway that encourages speeding and is more difficult to cross. Conversion to parallel parking results in the loss of some spaces, but opens up a wide range of options, including broad sidewalks and treebelt, new frontage space for sidewalk cafe seating, enhanced stormwater treatment, a protected bike lane, bumpouts, and shorter crosswalks.

Conversion to all-parallel parking provides the minumum space needed to achieve these benefits:

- 1. wider walkway
- wider tree belt (healthier trees with greater rainfall interception capacity)
- **3. linear rain gardens** (stormwater slowing and filtering)
- **4. more pervious paving** (stormwater slowing and filtering)
- 5. protected bike lane
- 6. store frontage furnishing zone

Conversion to all-parallel parking can be achieved while retaining 73% of existing parking spaces*:

Total Spaces for Both Sides of Main Street			
Existing/ Required	Proposed Spaces	Proposed Change	% Retained
161	118	-43	73 %

^{*} Note: the total of proposed spaces has been revised upwards since the November 16, 2016 public presentation; additional spaces have been added to the plan using City of Burlington standards for on-street parking layout.

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District Parking Strategy

